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Application of: Balasubramanian *et al.*
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 THEIR USE IN SEQUENCING

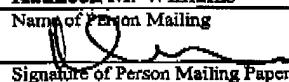
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PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED
CLAIM FOR PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions under 37 CFR §1.55(c) for acceptance of unintentionally delayed priority claim.

Responsibility for this application previously rested with the law firm of Oliff & Berridge. At the time of filing, the application claimed priority as a continuation-in-part of PCT/GB99/02487, filed July 30, 1999, and also claimed benefit of United Kingdom App. No. 9822670.7, filed October 16, 1998, and European App. No. 98306094.8, filed July 30, 1998. The claim to United Kingdom App. No. 0002310.01, filed February 1, 2000, was inadvertently omitted.

On June 4, 2001, the inadvertent omission was discovered and a claim for priority was made by the Applicants, adding the priority claim to United Kingdom App. No. 0002310.01. However, the requisite Petition and Fee were not submitted.

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Responsibility for the application was then transferred in December 2001 to the law firm of Palmer & Dodge. It was not until receipt of the Office Action dated September 9, 2002 that Applicants' current representatives discovered that the priority claim was not accepted. The Office Action stated that the priority claim was not accepted because it was made after the deadline of four months after filing of the application, and that there was no petition and no petition fee.

Applicants' representative hereby respectfully requests that a claim of priority to United Kingdom App. No. 0002310.01, filed February 1, 2000, be added to the present application, and hereby states that the entire delay between the date the claim was due and the present time was unintentional.

The surcharge of \$1300 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(t) is filed herewith.

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